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1. Sovromconstructia has regional branches in Bucharest (the former Prager building firm), Arad (the former Via building firm), Timisoara, Brad, Sibiu (also the former Via building firm), and Bacau.
2. The Sibiu regional branch has carried out the following work in the Sibiu and Caransebes areas:
 - a. A concrete hall, 40 by 80 meters, was built for the Independenta Factory (formerly the Rieger Machine Works). This factory, which is located in the lower town of Sibiu (Orasul de Jos) on the Cibirul, employs 1,200 workers. It produces diesel engines (16 to 20 h.p.), cast iron pipes, threshing machines, and other agricultural machinery. Power is obtained by burning methane gas.
 - b. A transformer to step down 60,000 volts to 2,000 volts for lighting purposes was built at Margineni, near Sibiu.
 - c. The municipal power station at Sibiu, near the Orasul de Jos station, was repaired. This power station has five large diesel engines, one of which is a Sulzer 3,500 h.p. with an NGA generator.
 - d. Two Siemens Maerz steel furnaces, a factory hall for steel pipes, and shower rooms for workers were built at the Otelul Rosu Steel Works (formerly Auschnitt) at Ferdinand. The furnaces are supplied with 400 liters of water per second from the reservoir on the Bistra River in the Marul mountains. A pipeline seven kilometers long with a diameter of 60 to 70 cubic centimeters connects the factory to the reservoir. Otelul Rosu employs 8,000 workers. It is reported that thousands of tons of cast iron blocks are stockpiled as was emergency materials in this factory.
3. A quarry near the Batuta railroad station on the Mures River supplies building material for the Sibiu regional branch. Forty workers are employed at the quarry.

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4. The following personalities of Sovromconstructia, Sibiu are known:

a. Arton Titel, the general manager,



b. Mircea Protopopescu, building site head,



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c. Marcel Huhulea, head of the building section at Ferdinand,



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